

# The Hughes News

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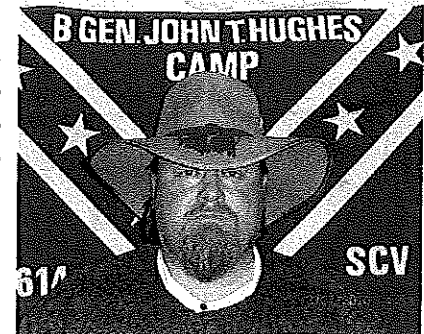
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## Message From The Commander, Jason Coffman

**Confederate Patriots:**

I have been viewing the new AMC series called Hell on Wheels. Surprisingly the southern history referenced by the series is politically incorrect. By that being said, the southern history is true. I have been paying close attention to it and would recommend viewing it though it is pretty raw in its depiction. The



series is about an Ex Confederate officer named Bohannon helping build the Union Pacific railroad west and settling scores with men who destroyed his family and his way of life during the war.

There are some Missouri artifacts down at the capital building in Jeff City that has been brought to my attention. They are stuck in a janitors closet and molding from what I have heard. To the best of my knowledge there are uniforms, flags, and everything military that had to do with Missouri in the room. I am going to try to start a fundraiser of sorts along with other Missouri organizations that have an interest in Missouri history and try to get these items into the Boone county or other museums in Missouri. It is a big task, but we had better do it to preserve Missouri history and stay the course of the SCV charge given to us by our ancestors.

I am going to try to make it to the Lee Jackson supper in January; I would encourage all of you to go to this event if you can. We have the Hughes Camp Christmas party coming up on December 10<sup>th</sup>; it starts at 4:00 in the evening, see flyer for time, location, and directions. I hope to see most of you there along with your friends or family. The MOS&B are selling raffle tickets for a barn wood framed Jesse James picture ready to hang on a wall. Tickets are \$5.00 for one and \$10.00 for two; we will have the drawing at the Christmas Party.

**Yours in the Bonds of Confederate Brotherhood,**

**Jason-Nathaniel: coffman**

**John T. Hughes Camp 614 Commander**

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## Camp Calendar

**December 10th, Hughes Camp 614 and Independence Chapter 710 UDC Christmas Party 4 PM, Lions Club in Missouri City, Missouri.** We'll start gathering at around 4 pm to enjoy some egg nog and other libations, then eat at around 5 pm. The Camp will provide the brisket which will be smoked by Kurt Holland, and we'll also provide the beverages. Bring a covered dish or dessert and we should be set to go for a fun evening!

**There will not be a regular Camp meeting in December as we'll have the Christmas party instead! Back to regular meetings in January!**

**January 14th, 2012 Lee Jackson Dinner, Osage Beach, Missouri.** See the flyer enclosed for complete details. Paul Petersen will be our speaker on Quantrill, even though our Camp has heard him speak lately, he will have a different twist with power point presentation this time. He should be great!



**Br. Gen. John T Hughes**

## What's been happening on the Western Front..

### November– Camp Meeting

The last meeting we had our guest speaker was Darryl W. Levings and discussed his new book he wrote called *Saddle the Pale Horse*. This book is based on real characters and events. The novel is about the Invasion of Missouri in 1864 and weaves together the stories of a land where treachery ruled and blood ran and cruelty had no bounds by the invaders. His book is a richly detailed historical account that follows the Confederate's attempt to take back Missouri from the invaders from the day that General Sterling Price's army crossed the border from Arkansas. It continues through the death and destruction wrought by pitched battle against the invaders, and culminates in the massive clashes of arms at Westport and Mine Creek. His book also includes an extensive collection of photographs, maps and the facts behind this rich, compelling story. Here is a quote from the book; *this was Missouri in 1864: Teenaged bushwhackers rode and killed with Jesse James and Quantrill and*

*Bloody Bill, a uniform was no guarantee of a soldier's allegiance, and officers and men often looked the other way when anyone mentioned the law.* Darryl W. Levings edited the articles about the War for Southern Independence in the Kansas City Star this past summer and also works for the Kansas City Star. He's done a lot of research on it and even has Confederate ancestors. I asked him he wanted to join our camp after he retires and he said that he might.

The camp had a discussion about the historical marker for John T. Hughes to be placed in close proximity to where he died in the line of fire. We are working on this task and getting closer to accomplishing this goal. David Goodman also said he knows almost the exact spot that Hughes was killed. The camp also discussed the where, when, and what for the Christmas party this year. It will be on December 10th at 4:00 PM at the Lions club hall in Missouri City. It was a short meeting.

*Jason Coffman*



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The following is a message from Don Gilmore. He has found a video of Confederate Veterans demonstrating the Rebel Yell. So below is Don's message and the link to the video. Go check it out, it's pretty cool to see these old veterans and hear them do the Rebel Yell!

I've always wanted to hear the old rebel yell. I've heard some, likely not authentic. This video has examples of a large number of veterans at a reunion captured on film and sound. It's the real thing, as close as we can get it. The high sounding yell is probably the most authentic version, because many of these men have lost the high range of notes. But there were likely a variety of yells. This film is held by the Smithsonian.

SEE:

<http://www.smithsonianmag.com/history-archaeology/Civil-War-Veterans-Come-Alive-in-Audio-and-Video-Recordings.html#>

P.S. Look for pointer, down the page where Video Gallery appears and PLAY VIDEO

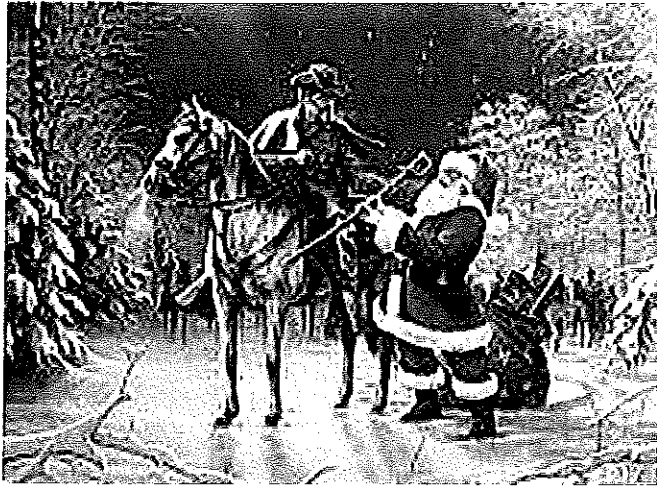
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Don Gilmore

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**Salute!**



**Independence Chapter 710 UDC  
And  
Hughes Camp 614**

**Christmas Party Celebration**

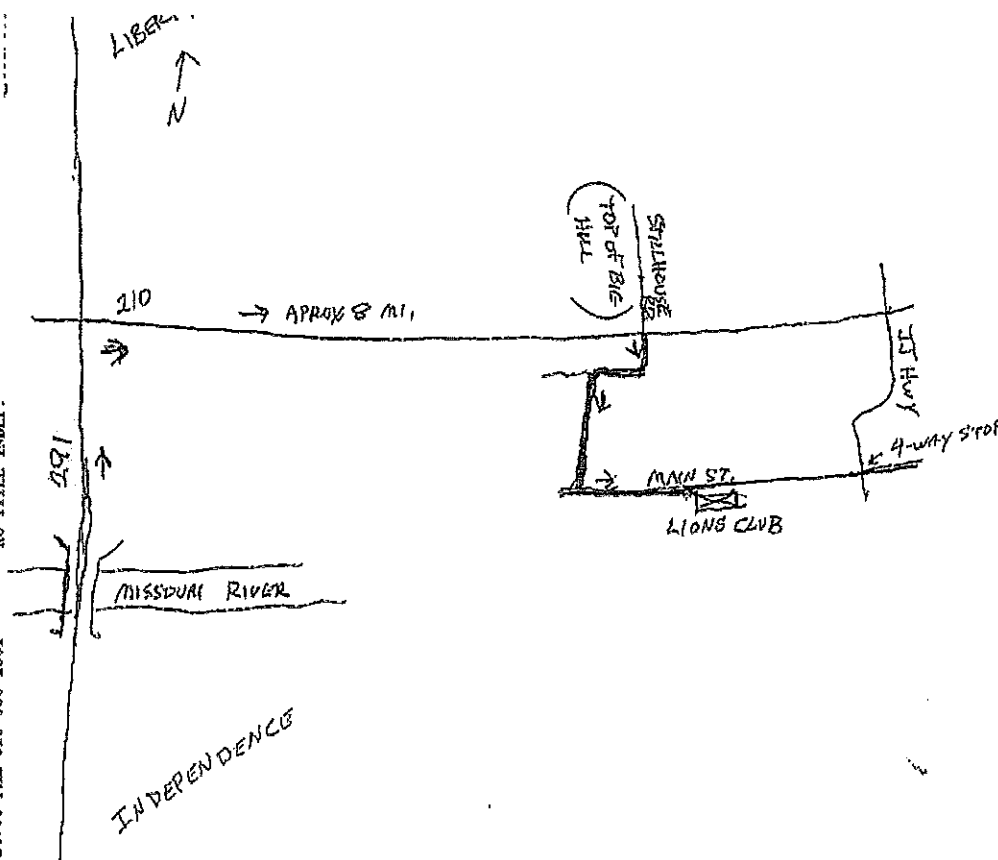
**December 10th  
4:00 PM**

***Ho Ho Ho, Merry Christmas! Join us for a Christmas Celebration!***

**When: December 10th, 4:00 PM until ...us old folks get tired and want to go home!**

**Where: Lions Club Hall, 309 Main St Missouri City, MO (see map)**

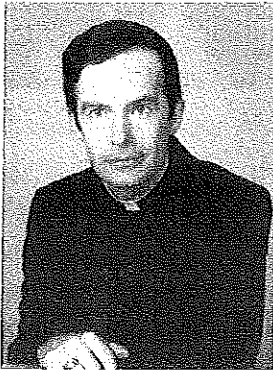
**Hughes Camp will provide the meat, beverages and decorations for the hall. If everyone can bring a side dish or desert that will help us round out a nice meal! Come on down to kick off the Christmas Season! We'll also feature Tim Apgar's famous Egg Nog**



In case you can't read the map, that's 210 east from 291 about 8 miles, at the top of a big hill turn right on Stillhouse Rd. Go south to Main St and turn east, to the Lion's Club Hall.



## Chaplain's Corner, Hughes Camp Chaplain Richard W Rudd



Merry Christmas! Today, few stores' clerks have the conviction to offer this traditional greeting instead of the secular, generically neutral, and meaningless substitute of *Happy Holidays*. Fear of demotion, job loss, or

alienation of non-Christian customers silences this reference to Christ during the season that celebrates His nativity.

The First Amendment states, "Congress shall make no law...abridging the freedom of speech..." While no law currently prevents free speech, although attempts are being made, much more subtle and dangerously effective means of circumventing this right are being utilized. Not only our beliefs and values, but the very words that have been part of our vernacular to communicate them are being censored, filtering and redefining what is spoken of and redesigning how one speaks of it. Strategy is based on isolation, demoralization, and silence. Surrender of this right is being enforced by intimidation and fear through such methods as social peer pressure, financial penalties, violence, and cowardice.

A grass-roots example could be found in a recent school district election in my community. Proposed was a property tax levy increase that would have been the second highest in the state. A majority opposed the tax and the issue failed. However, the mobilization of a publicly organized effort to defeat the tax proved impossible. Very few of those opposed were willing to speak up and make their views and names known. They yielded their freedom of speech to fear of being ostracized and maliciously labeled by levy proponents as adversaries

of children, education, and progress. Over 85% of the eligible electorate neglected to vote, abdicating responsibility by allowing others to speak for them. If this is an indication of the viability of the spirit of 1776 and such people are confronted by issues of greater magnitude and higher stakes, America's future is in serious jeopardy.

In *They Thought They Were Free*, Milton Mayer, an American, studied ten different average, law-abiding German citizens to determine how and why the German people acquiesced to Nazism. What he discovered in Germany nearly sixty years ago could describe the current social and political climate developing in America. This climate includes fear, conformity, confusion, ignorance, tolerance, emotionalism, stigmatization, irrationalism, a sense of isolation and helplessness, preoccupation with distractions, irresponsibility, lack of courage, failure to acknowledge reality, the desire to ingratiate, indifference. Mayer wrote:

I came back home a little afraid for my country, afraid of what it might want, and get, and like, under pressure of combined reality and illusion. I felt-and feel-that it was not German Man that I had met, but Man. He happened to be in Germany under certain conditions. He might be here, under certain conditions.

Historical facts document that "he" was already here in America before the rise of Nazi Germany. The hideous atrocities committed against Confederates in Yankee prison camps predated those of Auschwitz-Birkenau, Bergen-Belson, Buchenwald, Dachau, and Treblinka. "He" still lives among us, waiting for the right conditions to reoccur.

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***Richard Rudd continued...***

For publicly speaking of the Gospel, the apostles were imprisoned, rearrested, and brought before the council and reminded, "We strictly charged you not to teach in this name (Christ's name)..." (Acts 5:28) Consequently, "...they beat them and charged them not to speak in the name of Jesus..." The apostles refused to yield "(a)nd every day in the temple and at home they did not cease teaching and preaching Jesus as the Christ." If we want to claim to be the heirs and successors of those early Christians of the church, the Founding Fathers of America, and our ancestors of the Confederacy, we must have the vision to consider the end and be the voice that speaks up at the beginning before it is too late to speak or be heard. The right of freedom of speech cannot exist if it is not used.

***Fr. Richard W. Rudd***

***Hughes Camp Chaplain***

**Southern Cross of Honor to be returned to Descendants of Confederate Soldier**

Gents,

With all the "not so good" news that comes around so often, I wanted to share a good Confederate story with you all. Several years ago, I came across a UDC Southern Cross of Honor that was awarded to a Boone County Confederate, Pvt. George E. Holton. I found this medal at a flea market/antique mall and I simply could not leave it there so I purchased it and took it home. I took the time to find the soldier's service record, etc. and kept that along with the medal all these years. With the assistance of the Searcy Camp boys, and as fate would have it, a direct descendant of Pvt. Holton has been located in the state of Utah. (Actually, he kind of located us, but had no idea that a UDC medal existed). He saw an image of the medal a little later on the Searcy Camp website (great work Loren Reynolds!), and discovered that the medal was on loan from myself to the Boone County Historical Society... for the WBTS display that is presently at the site. Well.... after much discussion between several of us, we are in the beginning stages of presenting the UDC Southern Cross of Honor to this descendant, where... in my opinion it belongs... with the family of Pvt. Holton. Probably, some time in 2012 we will be making arrangements to get together and present the medal to the family after all these years... I can't wait! We will of course have some press coverage and make an "event" of it, but more than anything, I am so delighted that this family member will get this medal and properly care for it as the treasure it truly is. We will keep you posted as this draws closer.

Please feel free to share with whomever you so desire.

Confederate Regards,

Darrell Maples

Central Brigade Commander



# 2012 Lee-Jackson Supper January 14th, 2012



The Inn at Grand Glaize

5142 Highway 54

Osage Beach, Mo

573-348-4731

(Just west of the Grand Glaize bridge on 54)

Our speaker this year is **Paul Petersen**, author of three books on Quantrill. Paul retired from the Marines after 26 years of service. He had noticed during his time in the Marines that Marine publications sometimes referred to Quantrill and the tactics Quantrill developed. In the current day service, Quantrill is considered the father of modern guerilla tactics. After retiring, Paul was intrigued by the differences of opinions on Quantrill depending on which side of the Missouri/Kansas border you were on. This led him to want to get the truth out about Quantrill, whatever the truth was. At Quantrill's re-internment in Higginsville in 1993, Paul promised Quantrill he would tell the truth about his feats. Come find out what Paul's research has found out!

There is a special SCV room rate for this event. Please mention that you are with the SCV for the Lee/Jackson Dinner when you call to receive the special room rate. **If you make reservations before December 31, the price is \$69 and after December 31, it is \$79.**

**Social Hour is at 6:00 PM and  
Supper is at 6:30 PM**

**Cost is \$30.00 per person age 13 and up**

**\$15.00 per person age 4-12**

**Deadline for reservation is:**

**January 7th, 2012**

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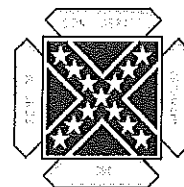
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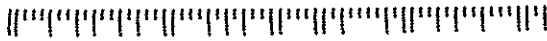
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Jackson and Lee, Moss Neck, December 25, 1862

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